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**MINUTES**  
**CITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**CITY HALL, 701 WASHINGTON**  
Wednesday, July 17, 2013 5:30 p.m.

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The governing body met in regular session on July 17, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, with the following members being present: Commissioners Parker, Wentz, Johnson, Pounds, and Hasch.

Absent: None.

Other Officers: City Manager Uri, Finance Director Farha, and City Clerk Crum.

Mayor Parker declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

Visitors: Jessica LeDuc, Toby Nosker, Marnas Campbell, Susie Haver, Joe Strecker, Ken Johnson, Luann Miller, Mary Jo Thummel, Mikki Nelson, Monte Wentz, Ashley McMillan, Roger Nelson, Susan Cantine Maxson, Wonda Phillips, Brenton Phillips, Linda Houser, Gail Engle, Karen Wilson, Leon Wilson, Johnita Crawford, Tina Barnett, Paul Rimovsky, Bob Maxson, Susan Sutton, Tony Studt, Marcia Pounds, Dana Brewer. Staff present: Ron Copple, Public Works Director; Mike Copple, Assistant Police Chief; Eric Voss, Fire Chief.

Pastor Tina Barnett gave the invocation, followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**APPROVED**

Commissioner Pounds moved to approve the minutes of the July 3, 2013, meeting. Commissioner Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Wentz moved to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2013, meeting. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #13**

**APPROVED**

Commissioner Johnson asked how many computers were included in the Computer Solutions payment. Two were purchased for the police department.

Commissioner Wentz moved to approve appropriation ordinance #13. Commissioner Pounds seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Ashley McMillan asked for commission approval to store donated items for the playground equipment project in the Alco building, which was given.

Dan Huff expressed his concerns for tall weeds, grass and trash at an East 7th Street address.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**BROWN GRAND THEATRE TIF PROJECT**

Mayor Parker opened the public hearing.

Several spoke in support of the Brown Grand Theatre, including Luann Miller, Sue Sutton, Susie Haver, and Susan Cantine Maxson. Joe Strecker, though a supporter of the Brown Grand, spoke out against using TIF funds for this project.

Mayor Parker closed the public hearing.

**BROADWAY SIDEWALK TIF PROJECT**

Mayor Parker opened the public hearing.

Gail Engle, county commissioner, Roger Nelson, former county commissioner, and Dana Brewer from the school board spoke out against using TIF funds for this project.

Mayor Parker closed the public hearing.

**ORDINANCES:**

**2013-3053 BROWN GRAND THEATRE TIF PROJECT**

**PASSED**

Thereupon, there was presented to the City Commission an Ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS ADOPTING A REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT PLAN FOR USE IN CONJUNCTION WITH A PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS IN CONJUNCTION THEREWITH.**

Thereupon, Commissioner Pounds moved that said Ordinance be passed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hasch. Said Ordinance was duly read and considered, and upon being put, the motion for the passage of said Ordinance passed by the vote of the governing body, the vote being as follows:

Aye: Commissioners Parker, Wentz, Johnson, Pounds, and Hasch.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Ordinance duly passed and the Ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2013-3053 and was signed by the Mayor and the signature attested by the City Clerk.

**2013-3054 BROADWAY SIDEWALK TIF PROJECT**

**PASSED**

Thereupon, there was presented to the City Commission an Ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS ADOPTING A REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT PLAN FOR USE IN CONJUNCTION WITH A PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS IN CONJUNCTION THEREWITH.**

Thereupon, Commissioner Johnson moved that said Ordinance be passed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pounds. Said Ordinance was duly read and considered, and upon being put, the motion for the passage of said Ordinance passed by the vote of the governing body, the vote being as follows:

Aye: Commissioners Wentz, Johnson, Pounds, and Hasch.

Nay: Commissioner Parker.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said ordinance duly passed and the Ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2013-3054 and was signed by the Mayor and the signature attested by the City Clerk.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**2013-1956 123 W. 11TH CONDEMNATION**

**PASSED**

Thereupon, there was presented to the City Commission a Resolution entitled:

**WHEREAS, THE ENFORCING OFFICER PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 12-1750 ET SEQ., AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 7-47 (C) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS, HAS INFORMED THE GOVERNING BODY THAT IN HIS OPINION THE FOLLOWING STRUCTURES ARE UNSAFE AND DANGEROUS.**

The Resolution was considered and discussed; and thereupon on motion of Commissioner Hasch, seconded by Commissioner Pounds, the Resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Commissioners Parker, Wentz, Johnson, Pounds, and Hasch.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Resolution duly passed and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2013-1956 was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE CDBG GRANT AGREEMENT**

**APPROVED**

The City is a recipient of the grant, received by Monte Wentz for the rehabilitation of a historical downtown building, and administered by North Central Regional Planning Commission. The agreement is to accept the grant funds.

Commissioner Pounds moved to authorize the mayor to sign the Department of Commerce grant agreement. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**MATCHING FUNDS AGREEMENT**

**APPROVED**

This agreement, between the City and the Wentz's, states all matching funds for the grant will come from the Wentz's.

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the matching funds agreement between the City and Monte & Nancy Wentz. Commissioner Pounds seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**2014 BUDGET**

Finance Director Farha gave the commissioners the new CIP schedule, with projects planned. The budgeted transfers changed from \$215,000 to \$217,500. She asked for permission to publish the budget, with a public hearing scheduled for the next commission meeting.

Commissioner Wentz moved to publish the 2014 budget for the City. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**CITY MANAGER CONTRACT**

**APPROVED**

City Manager Uri said he removed the paragraph which states what the City will pay the city prosecutor, as suggested by Commissioner Hasch. He will remain the city attorney, but will not represent the City in court matters. City Manager Uri will become a fulltime employee, with all benefits.

Commissioner Wentz moved to authorize the mayor to sign the city manager contract with Larry Uri. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Uri presented the engineers' plans for the flood control project, as they have been submitted for permits. He gave estimates for the two dams, which have decreased by \$398,181.00 since 2011. City Manager Uri estimates we can solicit bids for construction by this fall.

**MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

Commissioner Wentz inquired about the house at 11<sup>th</sup> & Washington, mentioning the tall weeds.

Commissioner Johnson noted the weeds around 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Park, at the homes and alleys. Ron Copple discussed nuisances and mowing.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

Mike Copple said the department received a grant for the special traffic enforcement program, which is the seatbelt program. The grant results in about \$3400 which can be spent on equipment.

**ADJOURN**

Mayor Parker announced there would be a study session following the adjournment of the meeting.

There being no further business, Commissioner Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

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Stacey Crum  
City Clerk